

# A true bill of the whole number that hath died in the Cittie of London, the city of Westminster, the city of Norwich, and diuers other places, since the time this last sicknes of the plague began in either of them, to this present month of October the 20. day, 1603. With a relation of many visitations by the plague, in sundry other forraine Countries.

It is no doubt that the corruption of the ayre, together with vncleanly and vnwholsome keeping of dwelling, where many are pestered together, as also the not obseruing to haue fires private & publickly made as well within houses, as without in the streets, at times when the ayre is infected, are great occasions to increase corrupt and pestilent diseases. Neither can it be denied, that the ouer-bolddnes of many preasing into infected places, and the lewdnes of others with sores vpon them, presuming into the open ayre, some of wilfulnes, but truly many of necessity, contumaciously & corruptly diuers: as the Leprosie, the Pocks, and sundry such vncleane diseases doe: as by drinking, lying in company, and other such meanes, where pure complexion and cleane bloods are dealed with such as are pestered: and therefore carefully to be auoyded. But all these are accidentall, and rather effects then the cause.

In the yeere of Christ, 81. and in the yeere 188. there continued a great time a plague in Rome, of which there daily died two thousand people.

In the yeere 254. fiftene prouinces of the Romaine Empire, were in a manner consumed with the pestilence.

In the yeere 530. there died in Constantinople fife thousand a day, and diuers times tenne thousand: and at that time, in some other parts of Greece, there were not sufficient liuing men left to bury their dead.

And in the yeere 59. there fell such a plague in Constantinople, that there died in three months (pa. 27. hundred thousand persons, and the yeere following fell such a famine, that a penny loafe of bread of English mone, was worth a crowne of gold: by reason whereof, the people died as fast then of the famine, as they did before of the plague.

In the yeere 540. there began an vniuersall plague all ouer the world, that continued 50. yeeres with great violence. And in the yeere 1348. in Paris in France, there died a hundred thousand people of the plague.

In the yeere 1359. so great a pestilence there was in Italy, that there were scarce tenne left of a thousand. And in the yeere 1521. there died in Rome a hundred thousand of the pestilence.

In the yeeres 1570. and 77. in Milan, Padua, and Venice, there fell a hundred thousand in euery City: and in Bohemia being but a small kingdom, there died three hundred thousand the same time.

Some after the conquest of King William, Duke of Normandy, when the people were subiect to him, and the knights for rates which he had made, and himselfe placed with crowne and scepter, hee took number of the acres of land in all the realme, and of all the people, and of all the cattell: after which fell so sore a plague, that the people died in such number that tillage decayed, and famine ensued, with rot of cattell, that men were faine to eate flesh of dogs, cats, & mase. A fearefull example for Princes.

In the raigne of King Edward the third, there fell a very great pestilence in the East Indies, among the Tartarians, Saracens, & Turks, which lasted the space of seauen yeeres: through the feare whereof, many of the Heathens willingly offered themselves to become Christians. And shortly after, by reason of passengers from one prouince to another, the same pestilence was dispersed in many Christian Kingdoms, & amongst other places, brought into England: where it was so foreable all ouer the Land, that not onely men, but also beasts, birds, and fishes were smitten therewith, and found dead with botches vpon them. Also among men, the number y were left aloue, were scarcely sufficient to bury their dead. At which time, with the rest that then died of the plague, Henry Duke of Lancaster, Blanch Dutcheffe of Lancaster, and the Carle of Warwick ended their liues. So y in one yeere, in a little plot of ground of 13. acres compasse, then called Spittle croft, and now the Charter house, was buried fifty thousand persons, besides all them that were then buried in the Churchyards, and diuers places in the fields.

Also in Barbarie, Alexandria, Tripolie, and in Constantinople, this last yeere 1602. fell so grievous a plague, that there died there thousand a day for a long time together.

Our visitations, though our sinnes excree, haue bene more gentle. For in the first great plague in our memory after the losse of Jerusalem, fro the first of January 1562. to Decemb. 1563. there died of the plague, twenty thousand, one hundred, thirtie fire.

And in the last great visitation, from the 20. of Decemb. 1592. to the 23. of the same month in the yeere 1593. died in all 25886. of the plague in and about London, 15003. And in the yeere before, 2000.

God of his mercy, as hee did then, hold his heauy hand from vs, and giue vs true repentance, the onely meane to win his grace toward vs.

And now in this present visitation which it pleaseth God to strike vs with, there hath died from the 17. of Decemb. 1602. to the 14. of Iuly 1603. the whole number in London and the liberties, 4314. Whereof of the plague, 3310. The rest are set downe as they haue followed weekly.

From the 14 of Iuly, to the 21.	In the out Parishes — 319
of the same — 867	
Whereof of the plague — 646	
Buried in all this weeke, 1186. Whereof of the plague 917.	
From the 21 of Iuly, to the 28	In the out Parishes — 781
of the same — 1103	
Whereof of the plague — 671	
Out of the pesthouse — 18	
Buried in all this weeke, 1728. Whereof of the plague 1396.	
From the 28 of Iuly to the 4. of	In the out parishes — 537
August, — 1700	
Whereof of the plague — 464	
Pesthouse, — 19	
Buried in all this weeke, 2256. Whereof of the plague 1922.	

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From the 4 of August, to the 11	In the out Parishes — 410
of the same — 1655	
Whereof of the plague — 1372	
Buried in all this weeke, 2077. Whereof of the plague 1745.	
From the 11 of August, to the	In the out Parishes — 568
18 of the same, — 2486	
Whereof of the plague — 2199	
Buried in all this weeke, 3054. Whereof of the plague 2713.	
From the 18 of August, to the	In the out Parishes — 510
25 of the same, — 2343	
Whereof of the plague — 2091	
Buried in all this weeke, 2853. Whereof of the plague 2539.	
From the 25 of August, to the	In the out Parishes — 587
1. of September, — 2798	
Whereof of the plague — 2495	
Buried in all this weeke, 3385. Whereof of the plague 3035.	
From the 1 of September to the	In the out Parishes — 495
8 of the same, — 2583	
Whereof of the plague — 2283	
Buried in all this weeke, 3078. Whereof of the plague 2724.	
From the 8 of September to the	In the out Parishes — 453
15 of the same, — 2676	
Whereof of the plague — 2411	
Buried in all this weeke, 3129. Whereof of the plague 2818.	
From the 15 of Septemb. to the	In the out parishes, — 576
22 of the same — 2080	
Whereof of the plague — 1851	
Buried in all this weeke, 2456. Whereof of the plague 2155.	
From the 22 of Septemb. to the	In the out parishes, — 295
29 of the same — 1666	
Whereof of the plague — 1478	
Buried in all this weeke, 1961. Whereof of the plague 1732.	
From the 29 of Septemb. to the	In the out parishes, — 306
6. of October, — 1525	
Whereof of the plague — 1367	
Buried in all this weeke, 1831. Whereof of the plague 1641.	
From the 6. of October, to the	In the out parishes, — 203
12 of the same, — 1109	
Whereof of the plague — 962	
Buried in all this weeke, 1312. Whereof of the plague 1146.	
From the 12 of October, to the	In the out parishes, — 119
20 of the same, — 647	
Whereof of the plague — 546	
Buried in all this weeke, 766. Whereof of the plague 645.	
Buried in all, within London and the liberties, since the sicknes began, 35267. Whereof of the plague, 29402.	

The number that hath died in the Cittie of Westminster, and the places following, since the sicknes began in them.

Buried in Westminster 854. Whereof of the plague, 794.
Buried in the Sauoy, 198. Whereof of the plague, 179.
Buried in Stepny parish, 1962. Whereof of the plague, 1902.
Buried at Newington-buts, 624. Whereof of the plague, 604.
Buried in Ilkington, 208. Whereof of the plague, 200.
Buried in Lambeth, 389. Whereof of the plague, 365.
Buried in Hackny, 199. Whereof of the plague, 190.
Buried in Redriffe, 100. Whereof of the plague, 90.

The whole number buried within the 8. severall places last before-named, since the sicknes began in them, is 4534. Whereof the number of the plague, is 3998.

And the full number that hath bene buried in all, both within London and the liberties, and the eight other severall places last before mentioned, is 40040. Whereof the number of the plague is, 32257.

The severall visitations by the Plague in the City of Norwich.

In the yeere of our Lord, 1349. from the first of January to the last of Iune, there died of the plague within the Cittie of Norwich, 57104. persons, besides Ecclesiasticall Mendicants and Domanicks.

From the first of Iune 1579. to the first of the same month, 1580. there died of the pestilence in the City of Norwich, 4928. persons.

And from the 8 of April 1603. (which was the time that this last visitation began in the City of Norwich) there haue died to the 29. of Iuly, of all diseases, (as well Strangers as others) 387. And from the 29 of Iuly, to the 14 of October following, the number is set downe weekly.

From the 29 of Iuly, to the 6. of August, the whole number is 67. the number of Strangers, is 32, the number of the plague, is 55.
From the 6 of August to the 12. in all 75. Strangers 26. plague 60.
From the 12 of August to the 19. in all 96. Strangers 32. plague 87.
From the 19 of August to the 26. in all 96. Strangers 32. plague 87.
From the 26. to the 2 of Septemb. in all 132. Strang. 53. plague 119.
From the 2 of Septemb. to the 9. in all 140. Strang. 38. plague 120.
From the 9 of Septemb. to the 16. in all, 218. Strang. 80. plague 204.
From the 16 of Septemb. to the 23. in all 166. Strang. 70. plague 138.
From the 23 of Septemb. to the 30. in all 169. Strang. 75. plague 161.
From the 30 of Sept. to the 7 of Octob. in all, 182. Strang. 80. pla. 168.
From the 7 of October, to the 14. in all, 104. Strangers 62. plague 95.

The whole number, is 1832. Whereof of the plague, 1799.